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Congressional.
MONDAY, APRIL 14.
IN SENATE.
A resolution was submitted by Mr. Smith of North Carolina, authorising the Secretary to call on the Chair of the President of the Senate, and to

of the Senators, to be restored to their former positions. On motion of Mr. Noble, the bill to amend the Cumberland Road was taken up, and made the order of the day for Monday next. The bill making provision for internal improvements was read a second time.

after the third time and passed. The bill was
 then passed by the public lands was taken up
 after having received a majority vote. The
 was on motion of Mr. Branch, ordered to the
 table.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.
 Mr. Williams from the Committee of Clini-
 cians, reported a bill, the title of which was
 "An act for the relief of Francis L. Searles,
 of Arkansas," which was read twice, without amend-
 ment, and accompanied by a report of the com-
 mittee, and the bill was then laid on the table.
 Mr. M. Duffie, from the Committee of Clini-
 cians, reported a bill making a supplemental
 appropriation for the Military Service of the
 1862, which was read twice, without amend-

Mr. M'Duffie, from the same Committee, reported on the memorial of the De-
which were referred from the memorial of the De-
and Hudson Canal Company, the memorial
Corporation of the city of Charleston, in be-
the South Carolina Canal & Rail Road com-
and the memorial of the Baltimore and Chesapeake

Resolved, That the Postmaster General be and he is authorized to lay before this House, at the next session of Congress, a statement of the probability of the repair of the great military steamer *Albatross*, which was captured from the Chocoway nation, and also what repairs are necessary to be made in the *Robinson* road, the *Chocoway* nation, as will be necessary to facilitate the transportation of the mail.

DEPORTED SLAVES.
Mr. Wickliffe moved to discharge the Com-
of the Whole from the further consideration
bill to extend the time of the sitting of the
of Commissioners under the treaty of Ghent,
subject of deported slaves, and urged as a

The motion was opposed by Mr. Gilmer

Mr. Floyd, of Virginia, supported the motion.

Mr. McKim, considering it as very extraordinary that the Commissioners should have taken it necessary to suspend farther proceedings on this decision should be had. He presumed would have gone on with their business, but some officious and meddling agents interfered.

ed the facts of the case. The Board, which determined to wait the decision of the House, had no conception that so much delay would have occurred, and had determined to occupy the time while the bill should be under consideration, examining the testimony submitted to it.

But the House had held the subject so long that the Commissioners had gone through the whole of that examination, and were now out any thing to do. This presented a question why such a state of things ought not

tinued a reason of a private character be found in the immense amount of property less than 1,200,000 dollars, the fate of which thus held in suspense. As to the necessity of inquiring until the documents referred to could be obtained, he believed that the printing of "Tom Th

or "Goody Two Shoes," would have as legitimate connexion with the decision House on the bill before it. Those we had been presented on a day not set apart rules of the House for the receiving of nials. The presentation of them had not been ordered by the House.

the special indulgence of the House. The bill had been ordered to be printed without any restriction of what they contained. He had taken pains to follow them from the Clerk's office to the printing office, where he had examined them, and found that they were printed as they were presented.

ment, which, however correct, related to a judicial question before the Commissioners—a question of which the House had no cognizance. In his view, the bill itself was of the same character, and was framed with the intention of producing a similar effect.

Mr. P. P. Barbour said he would endeavor to state the reasons for which he was of opinion that the bill ought to be gone into without delay.

facts in this case, all of which have appeared in the debate which took place when the bill was referred to the Committee. He stated the argument urged by the clients in Louisiana and Maryland, in favor of their claim, as well as the arguments of the opponents of the claimants from Georgia and Louisiana.

sistance to it, but cautiously avoided expressing an opinion as to the merits of either, and concluded that it would be improper for the House to take it was a question of a judicial character, which he had longed exclusively to the Commissioners. However, their decision they should give, would be com-

The house, in his judgment, would have no right to interfere with it. If the Commissioners say that, under the circumstances, a prolongation of their period of session was requisite, in order to do justice to the parties, he should be in favor of allowing it to them. But the bill, without

gards this condition, orders an unequal continuance of their time of session, and leaves time wholly indefinite. By passing the bill, the House would be taking upon itself to decide that a prolongation was necessary. This decision which, in his apprehension, the

Mr. Gilmer said, that, from what had been said from the two gentlemen from Va., the committee must be convinced of the importance of the subject. The object of the first gentleman from Va. had spoken, evidently, was to preclude the possibility of any action being taken by the convention, which he believed was the only way to prevent the passage of the bill.

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Here Mr. Taliaferro explained, and dis-
all intention of making such a charge. Mr.

said did not refer to the importance of those elements in themselves. They were certainly important in their bearing on the judicial decision before the Commissioners, but of no manner of importance to the question presented to the House.

Mr. Gilmer replied, that he considered it highly important in enabling the House to